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The community has reason to view with genuine regret the retirement of the Hon. Mr. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C., and Mr. ARNET RUMJAHN from the Sanitary Board, a body whose administration so intimately affects the welfare and prosperity of the Colony as a whole, and the comfort and health of every individual resident. Their representatives have watched with interest the work of their representatives on the Board, so far as newspaper reports of the fortnightly meetings reveal the services they render, but the bulk of the work is done "behind the scenes" as the Chairman expressed it, and knowing as he must do the full value of each member's services, his generous testimony to the work of the retiring members, whom he described as having been "towers of strength" to the Board in times of difficulty, is a compliment on which a high value must be set, and it is one which must be appreciated by the community whose interests they have served no less than by the retiring members themselves. Mr. POLLOCK's retirement is due to his election to the Legislative Council, where the knowledge he has

gained during his membership of the Sanitary Board cannot fail to be of great utility in the consideration of the legislative projects which from time to time come up for discussion. The term for which both Mr. POLLOCK and Mr. RUMJAHN were elected does not expire until March next, but as Mr. RUMJAHN contemplates a visit to Europe next year, he has decided to retire with Mr. POLLOCK so as to obviate the necessity of two elections. Another change has just occurred on the Sanitary Board almost without public comment. Mr. M. W. SLADE, one of the nominees of H.E. the GOVERNOR, has retired and Mr. E. A. HEWITT has been appointed in his stead. Mr. HEWITT is a desirable acquisition to the Board and his return to this sphere of public activity will give general satisfaction. Had he not been given a seat as the nominee of the Governor, we do not doubt that he would have been elected by the ratepayers as one of their representatives. But now that the three gentlemen who figured as candidates in the recent election for the Legislative Council are disposed of, it is not easy to name offhand two probable candidates for the vacant seats. Mr. A. SARGENT HOOPER, who was a candidate at the last election, it is hoped will be one on this occasion. We know of no one in the Colony capable of rendering greater service on the Board to the general public, especially at the present time when so many of the difficulties of the Board arise out of the operation of the new Public Health and Buildings Ordinance and when landlords and tenants alike are harassed by vexatious interpretations of some of its provisions. Few men have a better knowledge of that Ordinance than Mr. SARGENT HOOPER, who was Chairman of the Committee which sat upon the Bill before its enactment, and few we venture to think can have a better acquaintance with its defects which landlords and tenants alike would wish to see remedied. So far we have heard of no other possible candidate, but we doubt not the occasion will show that Hongkong is not lacking in public-spirited citizens prepared to devote their time and ability to such service of the public as is entailed by membership of the Sanitary Board.

The London portion of last month's Japanese four-per-cent loan is said to have been subscribed over twenty-eight times.

The following telegram has been received from the Government of Burma, dated the 23rd inst.: "Hongkong has been declared an infected area. Inform shipping firms."

The coolie transport ship *Indravelli* arrived in port from the North on Thursday night and proceeds to-day on her voyage to Durban. She has a full complement of coolies for the Rand mines.

While carrying a bottle of lemonade along the passage way of the police quarters yesterday, a boy employed by Sergeant Keat slipped on the concrete and fell. The lemonade bottle broke, and several of his thumb from his hand.

The Secretary of State has approved the proposal by H.E. The Governor that the time spent by officers of the civil service in attendance at the Volunteer Camp of Instruction should not in future be counted as vacation leave.

President Roosevelt has been the victim of a most vandalistic robbery. A consignment of splendid Dresden china was being forwarded to him, and while being conveyed in a barge the whole collection was stolen, the cases being filled with stones to cover what had been done. In the houses of two boatmen were found a couple of fine porcelain plates decorated with portraits of the King of England and Miss Roosevelt, and bearing a dedicatory inscription by the King of Saxony. Several other pieces have been ascertained at other points along the Elbe, and it is hoped that finally much, if not the whole, of the collection may be recovered.

France has now in hand what, after Panama and Suez, is undoubtedly the greatest maritime canal project of modern times, and one that is its political and strategical aspects, probably eclipses all others. It is known to France as the canal of the two seas, and its stated in a sentence, is simply to connect the Mediterranean with the Atlantic by a ship canal, thus leading the Mediterranean into the Atlantic, and the Atlantic into the Mediterranean. A Parliamentary question in all its aspects, has been asked and estimates prepared. Up to now no decisive action has been taken. Another great effort is going to be made to compel the Chambers to a decision.

At the Land Office yesterday a piece of land situated at Ling Chau Island containing 18,295 square feet, was sold by public auction. Mr. Nip Tseung Toi being the purchaser for \$693, this amount being \$510 above the upset price.

Yesterday the Garrison Recreation Committee drew ties for the Soldiers' Club Football Challenge Shield, the result being as follows:—R.E. v. Army Staff; R.G.A. v. H.M.S. Diadem; H.M.S. Staff v. H.M.S. Tamar; 2nd R.W.K. v. Navalyard. The first round must be played off on or before 6th January, and the second round will be arranged to take place if possible, during the last week of the same month.

By the end of 1907 the port of Hamburg will possess the greatest floating dock in the world. It is now under construction in the shipyard of Messrs. Blohm and Voss, at Hamburg, and is to have an accommodation capacity of 35,000 tons. Its length will be 520ft., so that the largest warships and steam liners will be able to use it. The dock will be eventually towed to Brunsenhausen, on the Lower Elbe, where it can be utilized by the German fleet in case of war. The capacity of the largest floating dock at present in existence does not exceed 17,500 tons.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. A. G. Fittion, D.S.O., and Officers, the Band of the Second Battalion "The Queen's Own" (Royal West Kent Regiment) will play the following Selection from "Lohengrin" during the dinner at the Hongkong Hotel on Sunday, 31st Dec.—

Grand March "Opus 188" Mendelssohn
Song (Euphonium Solo) "Nazareth" Gould
Morceau "Mouvements Musicaux" Schubert
Selection "Songs of Praise" by Fougere
Chorus "The Heavens are Telling" Haydn

On Thursday afternoon His Honor the Chief Justice and Mrs. Piggott entertained the children of the Colony at an afternoon tea party. H.E. the Governor kindly placed "Mountain Lodge," his Peak residence, at Sir Francis's disposal, and here the little ones apparently enjoyed themselves immensely, the attention of their host and hostess leaving nothing to be desired. Amongst those present to assist in entertaining them were H.E. the Governor, Sir H. S. and Lady Berkeley, Admiral and Lady Noel, Com. Modore and Mrs. Williams, Colonel Darling, Major and Mrs. Ross, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Garsden Stewart, Mrs. Dickson and a number of naval and military officials.

An interesting incident associated with Post Office administration has been furnished. Last week, on November 16, there arrived back at Walsall a letter which had travelled for the last five years. A communication was despatched on December 24, 1900, Christmas time, from the house of Mr. John Boys, Walsall, to a gentleman on board ship at Shanghai, China. It left Walsall on the evening of December 24, and has now been regained by Mr. Boys and has been opened after an absence of five years. The unopened letter has been to Canada, San Francisco, and other parts of America, touching Esquimaux. In March, 1901, it was in Japan. The name of the sender, associated with a Walsall firm, happened to be printed on the back of the envelope.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

THE "BINGHAM" COMPETITION.
This competition was for a cup presented by Mr. J. E. Bingham to be shot for on Boxing-day, over 500 yards range, with a possible of 70. The association presents spoons to the 2nd, 3rd and 4th highest scorers.

There was a very large attendance, despite the unfavourable weather in the morning, shooting having kept up from 10.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mr. J. J. Stubbings wins the Cup, while Messrs. Hoskin, Nobbs, and Pidgeon each win a Spoon.

Below are the chief scores:—
J. Stubbings 70
W. T. Hoskin 69
A. P. Nobbs 68
J. H. Pidgeon 68
H. McFarlane 68
J. E. Michael 68
W. B. A. Moore 67
J. C. Peter 67
W. T. Edwards 66
A. Mackenzie 65
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W. E. Rogers 55
W. G. Humphreys 50

TRADE AND THE PHILIPPINES.

Had Great Britain occupied the Philippines their trade would have been open to all the world, no restrictions on foreigners would have been imposed, and had any difficulties whatever been placed in the way of traders they would have been placed, as is our habit, on our own per. But the United States look at things in a different point of view. After July 1 next they will be allowed to sail from any port in the United States to the Philippines except a ship flying the Stars and Stripes, and a ship sailing will be permitted to be transported to the islands except in an American vessel. An English ship is positively forbidden to take a single passenger or a single ton of goods from the Atlantic or Pacific seaboard of the States to the Philippines. The result of the introduction of the American Consular Laws will, of course, be an enormous increase in the trade, and the foreign carrying trade of the islands, which is even now largely in our hands, will be ruined altogether as far as we are concerned. In the last few years imports to the Philippines from the States have enormously increased, while ours have steadily fallen off. In spite of the outcry about our commercial decadence, we always hold our own, and something more, where the American field and no favour, but even the American traders of whose business capacity we hear so much, do not treat us with the generosity with which we treat them.—Globe.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

RUSSIA.
LONDON, 29th December.
The position in Moscow is growing worse.
St. Petersburg is reported quieter.

RUSSIA.
LONDON, 26th December.
News from Moscow dated 26th inst., says that the barricades are extending; and the rebels still unsubdued. A large force of troops has left St. Petersburg for Lithuania.

MOROCCO.
LONDON, 26th December.
The Sultan of Morocco has refused to agree to Madrid as the place of meeting for the Morocco Conference, and will agree only to Algiers or Tangier.
German policy in regard to Morocco, continues to be viewed with uneasiness, and even with anxiety on the Continent.

FREEMASONRY.
At the Thirtieth Annual Meeting of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China held at Masonic Hall last evening, Wor. Bro. T. F. Hough presided as Deputy District Grand Master, and invested the officers for the year as under:—Deputy District Grand Master, Wor. Bro. T. F. Hough; District Senior Warden, Wor. Bro. J. Bryant; District Junior Grand Warden, Wor. Bro. R. Mitchell; District Grand Chaplain, Wor. Bro. G. G. Burnett; District Grand Treasurer, Wor. Bro. C. H. Grace; District Grand Registrar, Wor. Bro. J. T. Titcher; District Grand President Board of G.P., Wor. Bro. A. S. Hooper; District Grand Secretary, Wor. Bro. A. O. D. Gordin; District Senior Grand Deacon, Wor. Bro. E. H. Sharp; District Junior Grand Deacon, Wor. Bro. W. H. Woolley; District Grand Superintendent of Works, Wor. Bro. H. Skyles; District Grand Director of Ceremonies, Wor. Bro. W. C. Barrett; District Grand Assistant Director of Ceremonies, Wor. Bro. F. W. Kruse; District Grand Sword Bearer, Wor. Bro. Purcell; District Grand Standard Bearer, Wor. Bro. J. Gimblett; District Grand Organist, Wor. Bro. C. F. G. Grimble; District Grand Pursuivant, Wor. Bro. Smith; District Grand Assistant Pursuivant, Wor. Bro. H. Dalling; District Grand Steward, Wor. Bro. W. King; District Grand Steward, Lt. Col. A. E. Aitkin; District Grand Steward, Wor. Bro. W. Mitchell; District Grand Steward, Wor. Bro. H. G. Garrod; District Grand Steward, Wor. Bro. F. Hawkes; District Grand Tyler, Wor. Bro. E. Chambers and District Grand Tyler, Wor. Bro. J. Vanstone. Unofficial members:—Wor. Bro. G. Flacey, Jr., and Wor. Bro. H. W. Wolfe.

THE LATE HON. E. E. BELLIOS.
Before concluding his sermon (the third of a course on "The Significance of the Pentateuch for Modern Thought and Life") at the Berkeley Street Synagogue the Rev. Morris Joseph spoke as follows:—
Before I close I would offer an expression of heartfelt sympathy to those members of our congregation who are at the present moment wrestling with great personal sorrow. Death has been busy in our midst during the past week. In Emmanuel Raphael Bellios it has removed a familiar figure from this synagogue, one who, while health lasted, regularly took part in our Sabbath worship. His place here is empty, and it will know no more. But there is an empty place, too, in our ranks and in our hearts, which will not easily be filled. We cannot readily find one uniting all his good qualities—his educational piety, wide-hearted benevolence, educational zeal, a winning gentleness of manner, fervent patriotism, strong attachment to the cause of Israel. Two elements stand out prominently in his life—the values attached to the service he rendered to his sovereign, and the service he rendered, as a direct consequence of that, to the Jewish cause. He rendered excellent work for the distant dependency where his lot was cast, and where his memory will be cherished with peculiar respect and gratitude; but he did it always both as a Briton and a Jew. I have met at his house many persons holding important positions in public life, whose friendship he had gained in his official career, and he always made a point of introducing me to them by the same formula: "This is the Minister of our Synagogue." He never hid his religion. He was proud of it. It is such men who, because they never fail to honour their Judaism, deserve to be honoured by Jews. With all possible fervour I offer this inadequate tribute to his memory. It must console his sorrowing widow and children to remember that he put his life and his talents to such worthy use, and that his labours on behalf of his fellow-citizens and his ancient race are not unappreciated by those for whom they are performed. May his children cherish his example. May it be "a light to their feet and a lamp to their path." May it inspire them to a life of service such as he lived who lived them so well!

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The I.G.M. str. *Roon*, carrying the German mails with dates from Berlin of the 5th Dec., left Singapore on Friday at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on Tuesday, the 2nd Jan. p.m. The Indo-China str. *Kutang* left Marseilles for this port via the Straits on the 9th inst., and may be expected at Singapore on the 24th inst. The N.G.I. str. *Ischia* left Singapore for Hongkong on the morning of the 29th inst., and may be expected here on the 5th Jan. The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Patroclus* left Singapore on the 28th inst. at daylight, and is due here on the 2nd Jan.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

28th December.
PHEASANT ANXIETY FOR RAILWAYS.
The Board of Commerce in Peking has twice called to Viceroy Shun urging him to proceed without delay, to construct the Kwangtung-Fokien and the Kwangtung-Kiangsi railways. His Excellency has communicated the matter to Chan Fat Sze, the Minister of Railways, who has replied by cablegram that he is about to succeed in raising the necessary capital for the Kwangtung-Fokien railway, but that as regards the other line, a separate scheme should be devised to raise the necessary capital.

AN ANTI-FOREIGN VICEEROY.
Viceroy Shun having been informed that go-ahead modern officials have lately been engaging the services of foreigners as teachers, instructors, constructors, etc., on their own initiative without reference to the Provincial authorities, has instructed the Provincial Treasurer to issue the following orders to his subordinates throughout the Province:—
"All prefects, sub-prefects and magistrates of the different districts are requested to notify the Viceroy in future of their intention of engaging the services of a foreigner or foreigners under agreement, and to submit such agreement for the Viceroy's approval. The same rule shall apply to officials purchasing machinery, etc., from foreigners by contract. The indiscriminate employment of foreigners under the present conditions is liable to create international difficulties and no end of trouble. The officials civil and military, who have already entered into contracts with foreigners are requested to send particulars and a copy of the agreement made so that they may be investigated and placed on record."

CINEMAGRAPH SHOWS.
Formerly some Europeans came to Canton exhibiting Cinemagraph views and reaped hand some profits. The Japanese followed suit and gave similar shows in the City. It came to the knowledge of the authorities, and the Japanese, being interfered with, requested their Consul to apply to the Viceroy for protection which was strictly in accordance with treaty rights. The Viceroy refused, however, and the show was stopped. It is now reported that the Italian Consul has applied to Viceroy Shun for protection on behalf of an Italian subject who has established a Cinemagraph show in the Lau Ancestral Temple. We do not know whether Viceroy Shun has granted protection and permission to perform or not. [Shing-po]
It appears from the above that shows opened without permission are not interfered with. Europeans who do the right thing and are demanding protection to which they are entitled are refused both permission and protection. This is another example of Chinese topsy-turvy administration, and we cannot but sympathise with the unfortunate foreigner who is made to suffer loss by complying with treaty obligations which the Chinese on their side are constantly trying to evade.

THE NEW MINISTER TO ITALY.
His Excellency Huang Kiao, Hanlin, late Head Chinese Master of the Canton Imperial College, who was recently appointed Chinese Minister to Italy has arrived in Canton. His Excellency is a businessman and a native of Canton. Minister Huang is paying the usual official call here and will leave Canton for Rome in about three weeks. His Excellency will be accompanied by Tartar-General Thao's eldest son.

KOWLOON DOCKS' BALL.

Only those who have seen the large hall at the Kowloon Docks will work in proceeding there can realise the amount of time and labour necessary to give it the picturesque appearance it was last night when the annual ball was held. The old adage says "business before pleasure," and as the business of the Dock Company was proceeding in the hall on the day prior to the ball, the dance committee had very little time to effect such a wonderful transformation. A snatching wall divided the ballroom from the other part of the hall, and this was tastefully draped with flags, while the neatly arranged festoons of greenery added to the beauty of the scene. On one side of the wall the letters "H. W. D. C." were arranged with various-coloured electric globes. The band of the 129th Baluchis, stationed on a stage, supplied the music, assisted by two violinists and a pianist. Six large tables were necessary to accommodate the number of guests who sat down to supper and there had no reason to complain with regard to attention. The committee responsible for the preliminary arrangements comprised Messrs. T. Neave (chairman), W. Stewart (secretary), R. Lapsley (assistant secretary), W. Taylor (treasurer), J. Logan, B. Barter, W. Davison, D. Purves and W. Russell. Dancing started at eight p.m. and continued until the following morn.

FAE EASTERN FLEET.

A late issue of the *Daily Telegraph* said:—Drafts are being prepared at the Royal Naval Dockyard, Devonport, for service on the China Station, and from inquiries made last night it is understood that the Admiralty have decided to strengthen the naval force in these waters by two, if not three cruisers. Upon the conclusion of the Russo-Japanese war the whole of the British battleships were withdrawn from the China Station, and it is now proposed to augment the squadron by sending out the *Duke of Edinburgh*, which has just completed her official trial, and the *Donsdale*, which was recently relieved in the First Cruiser Squadron of the Channel Fleet by the *Devonshire*. Later on it is understood that the new cruiser *Natal* will also be sent to the Far East.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 30th, 1905.

VICEEROY SHUN, or, as he is officially styled, H. E. TSEN CH'IN-HSIAN, Governor-General of the Liang Kwang, is a remarkable Chinaman, around whose name various strange stories linger. If only half of the things said of him be true, he must be a man of peculiarly manifold character and versatile gifts. He is by turns a military hero, a finished courtier, a HAROUN AL RASCHID, a conservative Chinaman, an impulsive politician, and a rabid anti-foreigner. He has played many parts. It was he who seized the opportunity of the Dowager-Empress's flight from Peking in 1900 to prove at once his personal heroism and his whole-hearted and self-sacrificing devotion to the Throne. With a mere handful of followers he waylaid the imperial refugees, defied either foreigners or Boxers to touch them—happily there were none in sight—and himself disturbed the aged Empress's repose by noisily planting himself at Her Majesty's bedroom door, and declaiming that now should approach her save over his dead body. The lady was worried and anxious, very tired and uncomfortable away from her usual luxurious surroundings; but however much she might have been disposed for sleep, she could not fail to mark these noble traits, and make mental resolutions to remember their exponent as one of her most trusty servants.

MARINE MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

Friday, 29th December.

BEFORE HON. CAPTAIN L. A. W. BARNES-LAWRENCE (MARINE MAGISTRATE).

STARVED SEAMEN AND A MISSING STEWARD.

The inquiry into the complaint made by the crew of the British ship *Simla* of Liverpool, as to the bad quality and deficiency in quality of provisions supplied was concluded before his Worship yesterday.

Captain Casson, recalled, said the steward had not been found, although the police had made every effort to trace him.

His Worship (to complainants)—Have you any further statements to make in respect of the complaint under investigation?

Patrick McCarthy, A.B., said the pork was never up to weight when served out.

To his Worship—Complaint had never been weighed, but after the captain gave the men permission to see it weighed, there appeared to be more of it.

No further evidence was adduced, and in delivering judgment his Worship said:—During the interval between the two hearings I have gone carefully into the matter of your complaint. The provisions on board your ship have been supplied, and stock has been taken of the balance remaining. I find as follows:—

The scale of provisions authorized contains no serving glass as to substitutes or equivalents, which is customary, while the scale itself is on somewhat antiquated lines. It appears, however, that substitutes such as Australian meat, marmarine, marmalade, etc., were served out in lieu of salt pork and beef in certain proportions, but that you consider you were hardly dealt with in receiving marmarine in lieu of butter. The marmarine which I sampled was of good quality, and as there is absence of any clause in the agreement that you were entitled to either butter or marmarine, this complaint must pass. On stock taking it was found that there was a surplus quantity of beef and pork amounting to 742 lbs., but as against this 828 lbs. of Australian meat had been issued, the other provisions were found to be in right proportions. I attribute the cause of your complaint as largely due to the scale of provisions not containing the customary clause as to equivalents and substitutes, but as the ship was provided with such and they were issued, I am unable to see that you have a grievance on this head. The last witness speaks of the salt pork being short, but can bring no evidence to prove it. If it was short, how is it that none of you made complaint sooner? In the case of the sugar, as soon as the master was made aware of the deficiency he caused the matter to be justified, and later, when complaint was made concerning the shortage generally, the master directed that representatives of the crew were to see the provisions weighed out before issue. It appears to me that you were, instead of coming forward and stating your grievances to the master at the time they occurred, prepared to bottle them up and make them when proof of your statement is impossible to verify. The only fact I have to go on is that the issue of sugar was short by two ounces per man from the 4th July until the 19th August, and that being so I award each member of the crew compensation at the rate of one penny per diem during that period. The fee for examination of the provisions will be borne by the ship, and the sums to the crew will be paid in addition and be recoverable as wages.

POLICE COURT.

Friday, 29th December.

BEFORE MR. P. A. HAZELARD (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

BOARDING WITHOUT PERMISSION.

For boarding the s.s. *Monmouthshire* on her arrival in port yesterday without the permission of the captain, two Chinese hawkers were each fined \$7, the alternative being fourteen days' imprisonment.

ASSAULT.

A Swedish sailor named Christensen was charged with assaulting Indian constable No. 644 while in the execution of his duty in Queen's Road East.

The defendant was fined \$5 and ordered to pay \$2.50 compensation.

A DESPERATE ASSAULT.

Ng Kwai, a small boy engaged at the Kennedytown slaughter house, who styled himself a butcher, was charged with assaulting a man engaged at the same place.

The evidence showed that the defendant, who could not reach the complainant's face, seized a bamboo and belaboured him about the head with it.

His Worship inflicted a fine of \$7 and bound the defendant over in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace for twelve months.

EMBEZZLEMENT.

Detective Sergeant Watt charged Wong Cheung, storekeeper and clerk at the goal, with embezzling \$28, the property of the Government.

The case was remanded until Wednesday but being allowed in the sum of \$200.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—

On the 29th at 11.55 a.m. the barometer has fallen over China and Formosa.

Pressure is highest over N. China and lowest over the Pacific to the S.E. of Formosa where a depression may be forming.

Fresh to strong N.E. and N. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Fresh N. winds; showery.

PARIS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

24th November.

THE KING OF PORTUGAL.

The charming weather that prevailed had much to do with enhancing the very cordial welcome accorded to Portugal's popular Sovereign, Don Carlos, on his safe arrival in Paris last Wednesday, by a large crowd of spectators who had assembled purposely both inside as well as outside the railway station. Although but anything a stranger to the French capital, the fact that it was the King of Portugal's first official visit to Paris, made it imperative for Parisians to greet their old friend in an exceptional manner. Wherever King Carlos goes he is certain to be liked; his jovial, easy good nature is quite familiar to Parisians. While in France His Majesty is perfectly safe. Being a universal favourite no one would think of harming a hair of his head. Besides, the King of Portugal is no coward; his bravery and coolness are proverbial. His Majesty dislikes fuss; this may explain why the French Government while keeping an eye upon its royal guest from the time he crossed the frontier until his arrival in the capital, did not take the trouble to guard the railway line from the Spanish frontier to Paris, as they did in the case of the King of Spain or the Czar. Not the least precautionary measures will continue to be taken while he is enjoying France's hospitality. President Loubet, at whose special request His Majesty came to Paris, in an official capacity, has prepared a magnificent reception for him; while Parisians who admire his simplicity and the gentleness of his manners intend that his present visit will be a memorable one. Everything has been done to ensure his comfort and safety. From a political point of view, the visit will have far-reaching consequences; the King of Spain has only just left Paris, on his return from Germany, for Madrid.

M. LOUBET.

It speaks volumes for M. Loubet's immense popularity to think that so many of his countrymen still cling to the belief that when the time comes he will alter his mind about retiring, and remain where he is. Were President Loubet a younger man there is no doubt that he would be quite willing to accept a second term. Circumstances alter cases. On more than one occasion M. Loubet definitely stated that he will not offer himself for a second term of seven years though he would certainly be elected with an overwhelming majority. The fact is, that the President is not so young as he was, that he has had quite enough of politics—of French politics especially—and that his own desire is, as the French say, to *planter ses choux*, or retire into private life; to resume the quiet, peaceful existence of a good bourgeois, and live in a modest mansion in Paris. Time will prove whether he meant what he said; of course many Parisians disbelieve his intentions because sorry to part with such a good man. They must not work a willing horse to death. France is already on the look-out for another President. M. Loubet's time is up at the end of February next. French Presidents receive but a modest salary—only \$24,000 a year—they must serve seven years, and not seek re-election; it being the established precedent that a President shall not serve a second term. M. Loubet is a wealthy old gentleman, with no other ambition but to serve his country, as he has so nobly done, to the best of his ability. The idea of becoming a Dictator or Emperor never for one moment enters his head. Another reason why Parisians would like to see M. Loubet still hold office for another term is that good men are scarce. M. Doumer, the present President of the Chamber of Deputies and formerly Governor-General of Indo-China, who stands one of the best chances of stepping into M. Loubet's shoes, is not altogether a *persona grata*; his certain to have so many adherents in the electoral college that all the moderate factions in the Convention will rally to M. Loubet as "the safe man," and to vote for his re-election if only to save France from the ultra-radicals.

INSANITARY PARIS.

Paris is very much behind England and America as regards sanitation. Though the Municipality has been able to report progress of late years, such progress, hampered as it has been by the want of capital, has been much too slow to satisfy the sanitary authorities. According to Dr. Lowenthal, the sanitary conditions of Paris at the present moment is nothing short of deplorable. "Paris," he says, "as also the greater number of our towns, contributes in a great measure to the depopulation of France, not only by its low birth rate, but chiefly by its high death rate, which is not accurately given in the official statistics. I consider that I am doing a useful work in making the truth known, a truth as humiliating for the Ville Lumiere as for the whole of France." This is hardly pleasant reading but facts are facts. The Doctor, who makes a strong indictment of the insanitary conditions and of the defective municipal methods of Paris, further condemns the callous indifference with which the over-crowded rookeries of the city are treated. When these pest places can be no longer ignored or neglected, they are simply demolished. Of the decent housing of their wretched inhabitants, no care is taken. They are merely left to rot still worse the already bad condition of other over-crowded areas.

A NAVAL COMPARISON.

The report of M. Charles Bos on the Naval Budget is a most interesting work indeed. The most striking feature about it is the comparison which he makes between the Navies of France and Germany. "At this moment," says M. Bos, "France owns 11 first-class and 10 second-class battleships, 9 armoured coast-defence ships

of no great value, 8 armoured gunboats, 14 first-class armoured cruisers and 4 second-class cruisers, 33 protected cruisers of all classes, 1 torpedo-carrying cruiser, 43 torpedo-boat destroyers, 9 torpedo dispatch boats, 40 sea-going torpedo-boats, 182 torpedo-boats of all classes, 27 torpedo-boats for use in the Colonies, 6 submarines and 29 submarines. Germany possesses 21 battleships, of which 16 have been built since 1900, 8 armoured coast-defence ships, 12 armoured gunboats, 4 armoured cruisers, all quite new, 36 large and small cruisers, 10 old torpedo division boats, 37 large torpedo-boats, 78 small torpedo-boats, and several submarines now being built but of which the number is not known. At first sight the French navy seems much superior to that of Germany, especially in view of the total number of units. Each navy has the same number of big fighting units. In 1909, the big fighting units belonging to France will be 1 in number, while Germany will own 93, which will be of greater speed, better armed, and more homogeneous than the corresponding units of the French navy. Germany, France alleges, has no need of a navy for protecting her coasts. The Kaiser Wilhelm's navy has hastened to the task of King Edward VII., and the enthusiasm of the British for the entente with France. England continues to add to her already formidable navy.

MR. OLIVER BAINBRIDGE IN HONGKONG.

Tracing the lost tribes of Israel has been a favourite study of many for a long time, but while not actively engaged in that work, Mr. Oliver Bainbridge, who has attained a reputation as an author and traveller, has thrown a flood of light on that interesting subject not only by his discovery of Jews in Papua, but by the investigations he has made in the interior of China relative to the Chinese Jews and also with regard to traits of Hebrew presence in Japan. To a *Daily Press* representative yesterday, the explorer was at home and outlined his discoveries. At Kaifeng, the ancient capital of the Middle Kingdom—where it is interesting to note the Dowager Empress spent the two months during the occupation of Peking by the foreign Powers—he found about eight families who admitted they were Jews and several others who belonged to the same race but who for various reasons did not proclaim their origin.

The latter merged with the surrounding sects, Mohammedan or Confucian, but though the others were quiet and adopted Chinese custom they worshipped in secret the God of Israel. The photographs of these people were particularly interesting, especially as several faces showed distinct Jewish characteristics, but equally interesting were the rubbings which the explorer showed of several wonderful stones. The inscription on one of these told the history of the coming of the Jews. The first contingent reached the country 700 B.C., and a long interval elapsed before the next Jewish immigration. In 900 A.D. a missionary named Li, accompanied by 70 families arrived, and presented the Emperor with a lot of Western clothing. Then they became subject to Chinese control. In 1368 the Celestines, as they were called, were given a piece of land on which to build their synagogue in recognition of their teaching the people to do good, but this building was overwhelmed afterwards by the rising of the Yellow River. Another interesting feature is that Mr. Bainbridge has been made the medium of carrying a petition from the Chinese Jewish community to Dr. Adler, the Chief Rabbi, for assistance to rebuild their synagogue. In Japan he found many things which could only be explained by some Jewish origin, such as the representation in a palace at Kioto of Solomon receiving the Queen of Sheba, and Solomon returning gifts; the fact that the Mikado traces his descent from a dragon which is called Oase or Oahi, a name which is given in the 24th version of the Bible to the last king of Israel. Numerous other traits common to the Jews were also discovered but "most remarkable of all," Mr. Bainbridge's assertion that he can trace an Irish element among the Japanese. He has collected a vast amount of information which will be embodied in two books—one on the black Jews and the other on the yellow Jews. Leaving here on Wednesday, the well-known explorer will proceed to India in order to study the Jews there.

THE GERMAN ARMY.

BUDGET FOR 1906.

The Budget of the German Army for 1906 is now being discussed by the Federal Council before its adoption. Details have not yet been made known; but it is known so far, that the Budget contains nothing that will arouse any great remark, as the new bodies of troops to be raised will be raised only in accordance to the law concerning the strength of the German Army on a peace footing. According to this law the formations already in existence will be increased by eight infantry battalions, nine regiments of cavalry, each of five squadrons inclusive of the existing 17 squadrons of mounted "Jagers," two battalions of foot artillery, with team-detachments, inclusive of the existing six companies. One company with a team-detachment for the gunnery school of the foot artillery, three pioneer battalions, one battalion of telegraphists, one experimental company of the railway troops, and one train company. According to the Budget of 1905 the following new formations remain to be created in the years 1905 to 1909:—Six infantry battalions (five Prussian and one Saxon), 18 squadrons of cavalry (13 Prussian and five Saxon), two companies and two team detachments of foot artillery, three pioneer battalions, one telegraph battalion, with one team detachment, all being Prussian, and one luggage company (Bavarian). It remains to be seen how much of this latter programme will be tackled on to the Army Budget for 1906.

LOCAL SPORT.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

LEAGUE TABLE.		MATCHES.		POINTS.	
CLUB.	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.	Points.
R.G.A.	3	2	1	0	13
Craigengower	3	2	1	0	13
Army Staff	3	2	1	0	12
IFK Police	3	2	1	0	10
H.K.C.C. "A"	3	2	1	0	7
Kowloon	2	2	0	0	6
Civil Service	2	2	0	0	6
H.E.	1	0	1	0	1

3 points = a win.

1 point = a draw.

PARSEE C.C. v. CRAIGENGOWER A.

The following gentlemen will represent the Parsee C.C. against the Craigengower "A" team in a match to-day (Saturday). N. F. Nalladaroo (Captain), C. B. Movdaval, F. J. Kanga, J. A. Chingy, J. J. Vasunia, B. A. Taraporewalla, S. B. Badiwara, K. Jamshodjee, J. H. Bejorjee, F. K. Batki and A. N. Other.

The following will represent Craigengower C.C.:—L. E. Lammert (Capt.), M. E. Asger, J. W. Stewart, J. Demar-Melvin, L. Vincenot, E. Irving, L. A. Rose, J. Fairholm, H. Rapp, E. Roma, and F. Loursiro. The match, a "friendly," begins at 2.15 on the Craigengower ground.

H.K.C.C. v. R.E.

The following will represent the Hongkong Civil Service Cricket Club in their League Match with the Royal Engineers on the C.S. ground commencing to-day at 2.15 p.m. sharp:—H. T. Jackson (Capt.), F. Biden, G. A. Woodcock, P. T. Lamble, E. B. Reed, R. W. W. R. Rivers, P. B. Adams, W. L. Wease, A. R. Raven, H. Gidley, Umpire: Mr. W. H. Woolley.

H.K.C.S. 2ND XI. v. KOWLOON 2ND XI.

The following will represent the 2nd Eleven against 2nd Eleven of Kowloon at King's Park at 2.15 p.m. sharp:—N. H. E. Smith (Capt.), H. Coombe, E. Dawson, A. Hurlow, G. Hogarth, R. Badook, R. Kelly, D. Gourlay, D. J. McKenzie, F. Casey and W. W. Cooper.

NEW YEAR'S DAY.

The Civil Service will be at home to their friends on Monday, 1st January, from 1.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. when a pick-up Game of Cricket and Lawn Bowls, Competitions, &c., will take place.

H.K.C.C. v. NAVY.

The following have been selected to play for the Hongkong Cricket Club in the Match "The Hongkong Cricket Club" against "The Navy" to-day and on Monday, 1st January. Play commences each day at 1.15 p.m. and 11 a.m. respectively. Hon. Mr. T. Sercombe Smith, Messrs. W. C. D. Turner, R. A. B. Ponsonby, R. E. O. Bird, T. E. Pearce, Walter Daniel, C. H. Mackay, Major Lewis, A. Mackenzie, E. A. Fowler and C. H. Falloon.

ENGLAND AND WALES v. SCOTLAND AND IRELAND.

A Rugby football match starts at 4.15 this (Saturday) afternoon on the Hongkong Club's Ground. The team for England and Wales is:—Back:—H. R. Baker, R.N.; Three-quarters:—L. C. Lammour, R.A. T. E. Pearce, F. R. Barry, R.N., and C. E. Down, R.A.; Halves:—R. J. Blackburn, and H. G. Knowles, R.N.; Forwards:—P. W. Goldring, F. C. Hall, R. M. Ranking, J. N. Denbow, R.N., H. M. Kendall, H. P. Hickman, H. J. W. Woodward, R.N., and H. F. Chard.

The Scotch-Irish team is composed as follows:—Back:—Costigan; Three-quarters:—Batemann, Preshaw, Lang (Capt.), and Lippman; Half-backs:—Hannay and Lecky; Forwards:—Dillon, Bailey, Brown, Boyd, Campbell, Sloan, Medd and another.

MONEY IN JAPAN.

The publication of the financial scheme of the Government for the coming fiscal year has given a feeling of confidence in business circles, but has not proved any incentive to greater activity in business, beyond animating the share market. The year market will continue active. The congestion of goods at the railway stations and too hindrance of traffic generally at the present important period, just before the close of the year is seriously interfering with the distribution of goods, and in Osaka the prevalence of plague is checking the sale of goods for the interior. Under these circumstances, the demand for money is rising still despite the near approach of the year-end. Bankers are, however, cautious, and the bank rate on advances has slightly advanced, the minimum rate ruling at about 8.5 per cent. per annum. The demand for money for year-end settlement purposes usually arises after the 20th December, but this year Exchange Bonds to the amount of ¥15,000,000 are to be redeemed on the 25th instant, and as this money will be used for the settlement no further advance in the bank rate may be seen before the close of the year. Advances made by the bank of Japan in Osaka stood at ¥1,400,000 and deposits at ¥930,000 on Saturday, the former showing an increase of only ¥62,000 and the latter a decrease of ¥360,000 on the figures at the end of the preceding week. As Kobe the circulation of money is so sluggish that the situation is entirely unpropitious at this season of the year, and the bank rate is ruling at about 8.4 per cent. per annum. This state of the market is brought about by the activity of the cotton yarn market, which enables spinners to do without money while they hold stocks which will last for some months to come. It is expected that no special change will take place in the money market before the close of the year.

In Kyoto there are signs of a revival of business, but the demand for money is not yet in evidence. Advances made by the local branch of the Bank of Japan stood at ¥59,420 and deposits at ¥71,386 on Saturday, showing a decrease of ¥66,732 in advances and of ¥100,692 in deposits, as compared with the end of the preceding year. At Nagoya the money market remains quiet, but the demand is slowly increasing. Since the beginning of last month about ¥1,000,000 of the money advanced in the city has returned and deposits are rapidly increasing. Towards the end of last week borrowers became active, and the bank rate is now ruling at about 8.8 per cent. per annum.—*Chronicle*.

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PICTURESQUE INCIDENTS OF THE SHANGHAI RIOT.

During the early stages of the riot in Hongkong Market, many foreign women were present. In several cases foreigners were injured by stones, but several left the market ignorant of the fact that any disturbance had occurred. In spite of the bogus circulars circulated on Sunday evening many prominent native butchers kept open their stores as long as it was possible to do so. One foreign lady was in Cheng Kee's making purchases in the midst of the riot. Fortunately for her, a foreigner lifted her bodily from the shop to his carriage, seated her there, placed his revolver in her hands, and told her to get home as quickly as possible. The lady has no idea who the gentleman was and still retains the revolver.

On Monday morning, during the disturbance in Nanking Road, one of the assistants in the store of Ching Fong (tailor) was shot through the stomach in his shop, the shot being fired from the road. It was a glancing shot which first penetrated a rubber hot-water bag and then glanced off some hard substance until it found its billet in the body of the unfortunate assistant.

During the attack on Hongkong Police Station, in the absence of permission or order to serve out firearms, the staff were armed with the shafts of disabled rishas, and these proved most effective weapons for repelling the mob. Throughout the riot our Sikh police have proved most faithful and energetic. No sooner had one batch finished guard duty, then they volunteered for the next guard. This has been the case throughout the week.

The hose of the Hongkong Fire Company was a prominent factor in quelling the disturbances in Hongkong Market on Monday. The streams were very effective in breaking down the barricades of stalls and benches from the rear of which the rioters were throwing stones and nightstick at foreigners and natives in foreign employ.

During the attack on Loona Station Inspector Wilson and a civilian had to retire from the charge-room to the store-room—a room whose only exit was out to the charge room. From the door of this room the Inspector and his companion fired as many shots as possible. On this mob until the faulty mechanism of the ejectors rendered their responsibility useless. In the meantime the mob obtained bamboo poles, some twenty feet in length, and continuously prodded the occupants of the room. Finally the charge-room was set on fire, and the two men had to burst open the door of their refuge and break through the crowd to gain the upper floor of the buildings.

The total destruction of Loona Station was averted by the flooding of the upper floors of the buildings.

The station was systematically set on fire, the mob bringing with them goods of an inflammable nature, loaded from stores in Nanking Road. These were set on fire and carried from room to room.

The origin or first incident of the disturbance in Nanking Road was the entry of a loafer into a tea-shop for food and his refusal to pay for a meal. Upon demand being made for payment, he struck the attendant. The police were called and he was arrested, and taken to the Station, followed by an angry and excited mob, which increased as the Station was reached. The attack on, and demolition of the Metropolitan Annex was due to the fact that a foreigner, being chased by the mob, took refuge there.—*N.C.D.N.*

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Appropos of the visit of the Prince and Princess of Wales to Burma, a correspondent of *Truth* tells a romantic story of the circumstances which led to the annexation of Upper Burma in 1885. It is pretty generally understood that the British expedition against Theebaw was prompted by the knowledge or suspicion that the monarch was engaged in a dangerous flirtation with the French Government. How this information came to the knowledge of the British Government is thus explained.

There was living at that period at Mandalay a European lady, in great favour at the Burmese Court, the widow of a gentleman who had been in the service of the Burmese Government. There were several Frenchmen hanging about the Burmese Court at the time, and one of them became engaged to this lady. But he proved faithless, went home to France on leave, and returned with a Parisian bride.

Shortly after his return a treaty is said to have been secretly negotiated between the French Government and Theebaw, the effect of which would have been to place Burma under the financial control of France. The faithless Frenchman was the negotiator of this treaty. He discarded his sweetheart, getting scent of what was going on, saw the opportunity of revenge. She obtained, through the Frenchman's clerk, a copy of the treaty, and transmitted it to another friend in Mandalay, who communicated it to the British Government at Rangoon. Within a few months the British expedition was steaming up the Irrawaddy.

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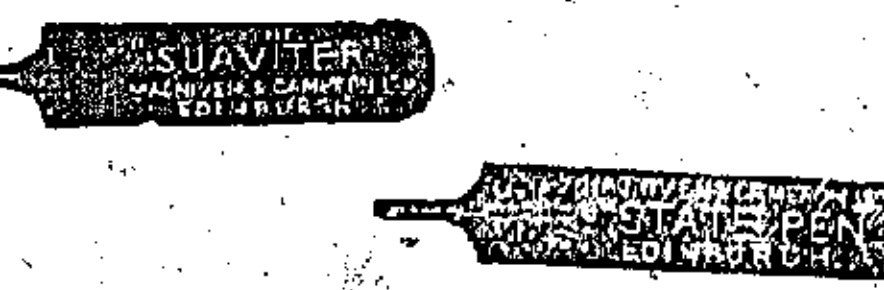
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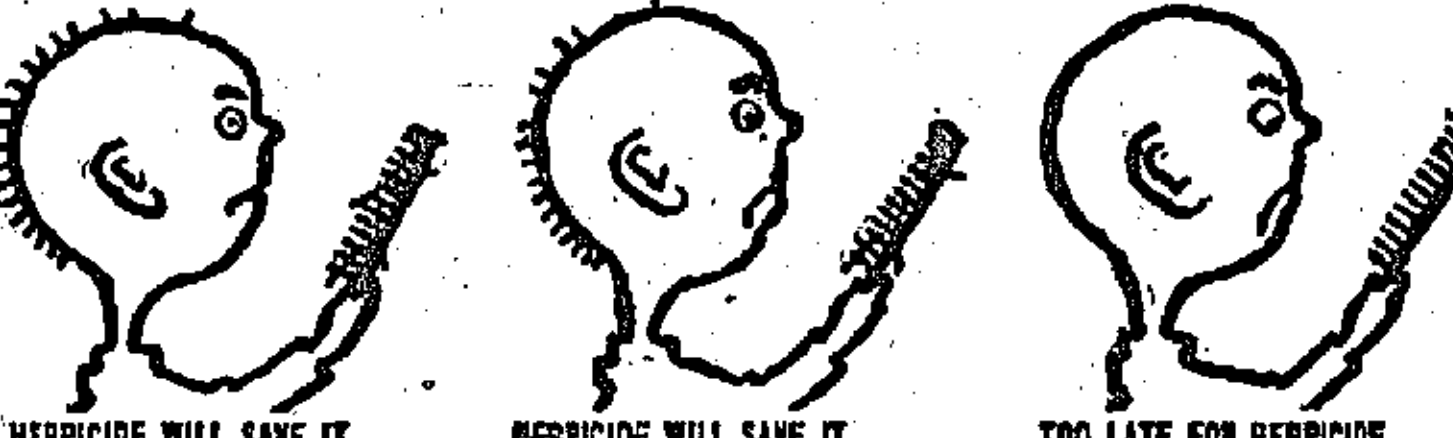
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In an interesting article contributed to the new number of "Living Races of Mankind" (which, like its predecessors, is profusely illustrated with photographs), Professor Kano deals with Corea and the Coreans. He says that the houses are all built of the same material—mud, wood for the framework, and thatched or tiled roof—and on one plan, a single storey disposed in a number of compartments, usually eight feet square. In winter the whole house is warmed by hot air pipes connected with the kitchen fire, and introduced under the floor, which is raised about a foot from the ground. Glass being rare, the window-panes are of oiled paper which admits a feeble light but shuts off the view.

Like the house, the national costume is of uniform design, differing only in material and colour—white cotton and linen for the people, violet or white silk for the nobles and officials. The dress consists of a voluminous pair of trousers braided under the armpits, with two or more robes reaching to the ankles, socks of thickly quilted cotton, straw sandals or wooden clogs like the French sabots for the lower classes, shoes with leather lining and cloth, uppers for the gentry. The outer robe, not worn by bachelors, has very large sleeves resembling the Japanese kimono. The women wear full white trousers, looking like divided skirts, and over them a very wide white kirtle, kilted above into a broad band. In summer a crino-line-frame of wickerwork is worn for coolness under the robes on arms, back, and chest. The crowning glory is the men's hat, which is not unlike an inverted flower-pot with broad straight brims about two feet across, and peak six inches high, made of horsehair or finely plaited bamboo, stained black and tied with bands under the chin. Still more wonderful is the mourner's headgear, in shape like huge teardroplets, made of uncoloured bamboo-strips, and large enough to completely hide the face.

The staple food is dried fish with beef, pork, game, rice, beans, and a fermented mess called kimchi, which smells so strongly that no European has yet ventured to taste it. Altogether the natives are coarse feeders, to whom little comes amiss, the menu including even dogs, cats, weasels, crows, and hard-boiled "high" eggs. The faculty of veneration is but slightly developed, and since the religion of Buddhism some centuries ago the Coreans may be called decidedly irreligious. The moral code of Confucius is the only guide of the educated, while the masses have reverted to the animism, the reverence for the dead, and the Shamanistic practices of their forefathers. It is curious to see the children kicking about statues of Buddha, and the gods on the highways, just as "Bony" was treated in England during and long after the Napoleonic wars.

Even marriage is shrouded in all religious rites. The whole business is settled beforehand by the elders, and the bridegroom never sees his bride till the wedding-day, when he arrives at her house on a white pony and produces a goose—emblem of fidelity—for her acceptance. Then the two bow to each other three or four times nearly down to the ground, and that is all. A loving-cup is passed round to the assembled guests, who make merry a little while, and so depart. In Corea nobody ever dies. All are killed off either by the smallpox "devil," the typhus devil, or the cholera devil, or else by the machinations of wicked wizards and witches who abound. After death, one or other of these devils may enter the body and revive it to kill others; they are scared off by the vigorous beating of gongs, drums, pots, and cans, which is kept up incessantly for three days and nights. Then the soothsayer is consulted on the most propitious site for the grave, which is usually situated on the sunny slope of a hill whither all good influences are wafted on the balmy southern breeze. Here, as in the West, the horse-shoe is lucky, and so the family vaults of the upper classes are sheltered from evil spirits by horse-shoe-shaped mounds turned northwards—that is, towards the quarter whence come the wicked devils riding on the icy arctic blasts.

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JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vornon & Smyth say in their weekly share report dated Hongkong, 29th December, 1905.—Although the week under review has been out into, and the market dislocated by the Christmas holidays, the few working days have afforded a fair business, and had it not been for the China New Year holiday, which the settlement having been arranged, is now trotted out as a deterrent to intending investors, a comparatively good business would, in all probability have been put through. As it is rates have been maintained and a better tone has prevailed in the market.

DANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai have been placed at the reduced rate of \$557½ and \$550, the continued high rate of sterling exchange being the chief reason for the decline. At time of closing, however, an unsatisfied demand at \$50 exists, and it is not at all improbable that \$65 would be paid if shares were forthcoming at that rate. Nationals remain unchanged and without business.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions remain steady but without sales at \$720, at which rate sellers rule the market; at \$710 however a small unsatisfied demand exists. China Traders, after further sales at \$84, have come into a pretty general demand, and no further shares being forthcoming at that rate, the market has gradually risen with a few intermediates sales to \$86, at which latter rate buyers rule the market. Cautions are obtainable at \$320 without buyers. North China and Yangtze are unchanged and without local business.

FIRE INSURANCES.—China fires have been placed at \$87 and close with a demand at \$88; very few shares however appear to be available and the market looks like further hardening. Hongkong's continuing rules quietest \$330 with small sales.

SHIPPING.—Dispatches continue in demand, but no shares come on the market. Indos have been placed at \$90; Shanghai quoting Tls. 62. China Manilla at \$22 and \$21 and Hongkong, Canton and Macao at 24. We have nothing further to report under this heading.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have continued dull at \$200 sellers with no sales to report; a small demand at lower rates, however, meets with no response. Luzons have been placed at \$25 and later at \$24, market closing with buyers at the latter rate.

MINING.—No changes or business to report under this heading.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS, &c.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have been in request at 163, and a few small lots have changed hands at that rate; at time of closing sales have been effected at 164 and the market closes steady. Kowloon Wharves have ruled quiet at \$108 with small sales, closing quiet. Farman has ruled very erratic in Shanghai, the quotations varying from 131 buyers to 126 sellers during the week. The market closes at Tls. 125 buyers. New Amoy Docks unchanged and without business.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands continue quiet with only a small business at 124 to report. Hongkong Hotel's have been done at 148. Humphreys at 121 and 124, and Kowloon Lands at 40.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewos have receded in Shanghai to 44; other stocks under this heading remain unchanged and without business.

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PYRRHUS"	On 1st January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PATROCLUS"	On 2nd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"SAINT BEDE"	On 4th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"ANTENOR"	On 16th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"OUTPACK"	On 23rd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"NINGCHOW"	On 24th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"ACHILLES"	On 30th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PELEUS"	On 6th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"ALCINOUS"	On 13th February.
FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TYDEUS"	On 2nd January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"IDOMENEUS"	On 16th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PAKLING"	On 20th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"STENTOR"	On 30th January.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"SAINT BEDE"	On 13th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PATROCLUS"	On 20th February.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ANTENOR"	On 27th February.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

Operating in conjunction with
THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

AND TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO ALL OVERLAND
COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA.
EASTWARD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, & PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO- HAMA	"NINGCHOW"	On 24th January.
WESTWARD.	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA & PACIFIC COAST	"TYDEUS"	On 25th December.
	"PINGSUET"	On 26th January.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.
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Hongkong, 15th December, 1905.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
CEBU and ILOILO	"SUNGKIANG"	On 30th December.
SHANGHAI	"YUNNAN"	On 31st December.
MANILA, KOBÉ and NAGASAKI	"SHAOHSING"	On 2nd January.
MANILA, KOBÉ and NAGASAKI	"TEAN"	On 2nd January.
MANILA, KOBÉ and NAGASAKI	"CHIHU"	On 2nd January.
MANILA, KOBÉ and NAGASAKI	"CHINGTU"	On 16th January.

* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light, Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified
Surgeon is carried.

* Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.

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AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1905.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
LONDON &c, via usual ports	"CHUSAN"	Noon, 30th December	See Special of Call
SHANGHAI	"OCEANA"	About 30th December	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.
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Hongkong, 29th December, 1905.

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON S. S. CO. BOSTON TOWBOAT CO.
CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH

NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR
VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA
VIA
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer.	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date.
SHAWMUT	9,606	E. V. Roberts	Tuesday, January 23rd

I Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND
CULINARY. ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESSES.
The twin-screw s.s. "SHAWMUT" and "TREMONT" are fitted with very Superior
Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures
steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried
in cold storage.

PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

For further information apply to—
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
GENERAL AGENTS.

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS,
Hongkong, 15th December, 1905.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

HOMeward PASSENGER SEASON, 1906.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS
FOR

MARSEILLES AND LONDON.

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR

COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO NEW YORK.

Steamers to	Leave	Connecting Steamers	Due at	Due at
COLOMBO	HONGKONG	from COLOMBO to	MARSEILLES (Brindisi)	PLYMOUTH (London)
		MARSEILLES & LONDON	2 days earlier	1 day later
ARCADIA ... 7000	Neon Saturday	BRITANNIA ... 7000	Saturday	Friday
DELHI ... 8000	Feb. 10	MOLDAVIA ... 10000	Mar. 10	Mar. 16
DONGOLA ... 8000	Feb. 24	MONGOLIA ... 10000	Mar. 24	Mar. 30
DELTA ... 8000	Mar. 10	MOULTAN ... 10000	Apr. 7	Apr. 13
OCEANA ... 7000	Mar. 24	MARMORA ... 10000	Apr. 21	Apr. 27
			May 5	May 11
ARCADIA ... 7000	April 7	VICTORIA ... 7000	May 20	May 26
DEVANHA ... 8000	May 5	HIMALAYA ... 7000	June 3	June 9
DONGOLA ... 8000	May 19	INDIA ... 8000	June 17	June 23

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express
Mail Steamer at Port Said.

Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time
of booking.

In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following—

INTERMEDIATE (non-transit) STEAMERS

WILL LEAVE FOR

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CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS.	Leave	Leave	Due at
	HONGKONG	SINGAPORE	LONDON
JAPAN ... 4500	Feb. 14	Feb. 23	Mar. 31
SUMATRA ... 5000	Feb. 26	Mar. 9	Apr. 14
NUBIA ... 6000	Mar. 10	Mar. 23	Apr. 28
JAVA ... 4500	Mar. 25	Apr. 6	May 12
FORMOSA ... 4500	Apr. 11	Apr. 20	May 26

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles.

* "JAPAN," "CEYLON" and "FORMOSA" carry only First Saloon Passengers.

For Passage apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
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Hongkong, 1st December, 1905.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT
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STEAMERS WILL CALL AT GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL PLACES

IN RUSSIA

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ...	WEDNESDAY ... 3rd January
GROENENAU ...	WEDNESDAY ... 17th January
ROON ...	WEDNESDAY ... 31st January
PREUSSEN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 14th February
ZIEFEN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 28th February
PRINZESS ALICE ...	WEDNESDAY ... 14th March
BAYERN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 28th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD ...	WEDNESDAY ... 11th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ...	WEDNESDAY ... 25th April
SACHSEN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 9th May
PRINZ HEINRICH ...	WEDNESDAY ... 23rd May
ROON ...	WEDNESDAY ... 6th June
PREUSSEN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 20th June
ZIEFEN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 4th July
OLDENBURG ...	WEDNESDAY ... 18th July
BAYERN ...	WEDNESDAY ... 1st August
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD ...	WEDNESDAY ... 15th August
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH ...	WEDNESDAY ... 29th August

ON WEDNESDAY, the 3rd day of JANUARY, 1906, at Noon, the Steamship
"PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH," Captain Malchow, with MAIL, PASSENGER,
SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 1st January. Cargo and
Specie will be received at the Agency's Office until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 2nd January, and Passen-
gers will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 2nd January.
Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than 32 lbs.
and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.
The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.
Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1905.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS
AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
TAMU via SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 31st Dec., at 10 A.M.
TAMU via SWATOW AND AMOY	"DAIJI MARU"	SUNDAY, 7th Jan., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW, AMOY and FOCHOW	"ANPING MARU"	THURSDAY, 4th Jan., at 10 A.M.
ANPING via SWATOW AND AMOY	"FRITHJOF"	About WEDNESDAY, 3rd Jan., at 10 A.M.

* These Steamers have superior accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted
throughout with electric light.
* Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.
For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office
at No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1905.

T. ABIMA, Manager.

THE AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINE

FOR NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

With liberty to call at the Malabar Coast.

THE Steamship

"COULSDON,"

Captain Henry, will be despatched for the
above ports on or about TUESDAY, the 2nd
January.

For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1905.

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FOR NEW YORK
VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

With liberty to call at Malabar
Coast Ports.

THE Steamship

"HUDSON,"

Captain J. Burnett, will be despatched as above
on or about the 15th January.

For Freight or other information, apply to
STANDARD OIL COMPANY
OF NEW YORK,
Oriental Freight Department,
Hotel Mansions.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1905.

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S. MINAMI, Manager, Hongkong.

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

FOR SHANGHAI, TSINGTAU, NAGA-
SAKI, HIOGO AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Imperial German Mail Steamship

"ROON,"

Captain Meiners, will leave for the above
places on or about the 31st January.

For Further Particulars, apply to
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th December, 1905.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR

ZAMBOANGA, JOLO (SULU ISLAND),
SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

Taking Cargo at Through Rates to
TAWAU, LAHAD DATU, LABUAN,
MENADO, SIMPORA, USUKAN
AND JESSELTON.

THE Company's Steamship

"BORNEO,"

Captain F. Sembil, will be ready to load
on THURSDAY, the 4th January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1905.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Steamship

"DAKOTAH,"

Captain Ross, will be despatched for the above
port on or about TUESDAY, 16th January.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1905.

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON AND
ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"GLENFURRIE,"

Captain R. Webster, will be despatched as above
on or about TUESDAY, the 16th January.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
McGREGOR BROS. & GOW,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1905.

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MARITIMES.

FOR MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP
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Taking Cargo to LONDON with prompt
transit at Marseilles.

Calling at MANILA, SINGAPORE, PENANG
AND COLOMBO.

THE Company's Steamship

"KOUANG-SI"

Captain Barillon, will be despatched as above
on or about the 6th February, 1906.

This Steamer has accommodation for Passen-
gers and carries a duly qualified Doctor.

For Freight, Passage, and further particulars,
apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Queen's Building,
Hongkong, 27th December, 1905.

HONGKONG

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FOR 31 YEARS

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAYS.

On New Year's Day the Post Office will be closed except from 8.00 a.m. till 9.00 a.m. There will be no delivery of letters and no collection on Sundays.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

A Mail for MACAO, is despatched per S.S. Wingchai, on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Sunday the mail for Macao is closed at 8.00 a.m.

Mails for CANTON, SAMSHUI and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. and at 5.00 p.m.

Mails for NANTAO, SANHUI, KONGMOON, KUMCHUK, SAMSHUI, and WUCHOW are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 9 a.m.

No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
Durban	Indragiri	Saturday, 30th, 10.00 A.M.
Manila	Algeria	Saturday, 30th, 10.00 A.M.
Manila	Zafra	Saturday, 30th, 10.00 A.M.
Cebu and Hilo	Sungliang	Saturday, 30th, 10.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Taticoria		Saturday, 30th, 10.00 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail, Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		
Macao	Heungshan	Saturday, 30th, 1.15 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Onang	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Manila	Longgang	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiton	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Kaisberg	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Amoy	Hong Wan I	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Manila, Singapore, Penang, and Colombo	Nippon	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Bangkok	Yelchabari	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Hongkong	Bagan	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui	Dajia Maru	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Singapore and Vindobrook	Forstik	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Amoy, Singapore and Bangkok	Phrasang	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Amoy	Yunnan	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Singapore and Rangoon	Zibangha	Saturday, 30th, 2.00 P.M.
Amoy, Yokohama and Portland O.	Nicomedia	Sunday, 31st, 9.00 A.M.
Yokohama	Yikang	Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Shanghai	Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2.00 P.M.
Chichi	Chichi	Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2.00 P.M.
Manila and Bangkok	Manila	Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2.00 P.M.
Europe, &c., India via Taticoria		Wednesday, Jan. 3, 10.00 A.M.
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Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco		Thursday, Jan. 4, 10.00 A.M.
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Jolo, Zamboanga, Sandakan and Kudat		Friday, Jan. 5, 10.00 A.M.
Manila		Saturday, Jan. 6, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		Sunday, Jan. 7, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		Monday, Jan. 8, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		Tuesday, Jan. 9, 10.00 A.M.

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Singapore, Penang and Calcutta		Tuesday, Jan. 9, 10.00 A.M.

TO-DAY.
Sale, Furniture, &c., Praya Reclamation Office, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 11 a.m.

COMMERCIAL.

OF LONDON.	29th December.
Telegraphic Transfer	2 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	2 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	2 1/2
Bank Bills, at 60 days sight	2 1/2
Credits, at 4 months sight	2 1/2
Documentary Bills, at 4 months sight	2 1/2
ON PARIS.	
Bank Bills, on demand	257
Credits, at 4 months sight	261 1/2
ON GERMANY.	
On demand	260 1/2
ON NEW YORK.	
Bank Bills, on demand	49 1/2
Credits, at 60 days sight	50 1/2
ON BOMBAY.	
Telegraphic Transfer	152 1/2
1 m. on demand	152 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.	
Telegraphic Transfer	152 1/2
Bank, on demand	152 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.	
Bank, at sight	71 1/2
Private, 30 days sight	72 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.	
On demand	99 1/2
ON MANILA.	
On demand	10 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.	
On demand	81 p.m.
ON BATAVIA.	
On demand	123
ON HONGKONG.	
On demand	123 p.m.
ON SINGAPORE.	
On demand	123 p.m.
ON BANGKOK.	
On demand	60 1/2
ON SOERABAYA.	
On demand	9 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.	
On demand	51 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.	
On demand	50

OPIUM.

Quotations are—	29th December.
Allowance not to 1 catty.	
Malwa New	\$1020 to per picul
Malwa Old	\$1050 to per picul
Malwa Older	\$1100 to per picul
Malwa V. Old	\$1200 to per picul
Peruvian Guinequality	\$1150 to per picul
Peruvian extra fine	\$1200 to per picul
Patna New	\$985 to per chest
Patna Old	\$950 to per chest
Bengales New	\$930 to per chest
Bengales Old	\$915 to per chest

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL.	THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. <i>Reef</i> left Singapore on Friday at 11 a.m., and is due here on Tuesday, the 2nd Jan., p.m.	The N.Y.K. str. <i>Nippon Maru</i> left Yokohama on the 27th Dec., and is due here on the 5th Jan.
The O. & O. str. <i>Doric</i> will sail from Yokohama on the 29th Dec. for Hongkong via Manila. She is expected to arrive here on the 10th Jan.	The C.P.R. str. <i>Empress of India</i> left Vancouver on Tuesday, the 26th Dec., a.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.
The M.M. cargo boat <i>Kowang St</i> left Singapore on the 22nd Dec., and is due here to-day.	The O.S.S. & C.M. str. <i>Pyrrhus</i> left Singapore on the 28th Dec., and is due here on the 1st Jan.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 29th December.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Alhambra	\$200	\$100, buyers
Bank—		
Hongkong & Shanghai	\$150	\$860, buyers
National B. of China		\$121, buyers
A. Shauks	25	\$38, buyers
Bell's Asbestos E. A.	125	\$10, sellers
China-Borneo Co.	125	\$10, sellers
China Light & P. Co.	125	\$9, sales & sellers
China Provident	125	\$9, sellers
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo	125	\$14, buyers
Hongkong	125	\$14, buyers
Loan Kung Mow	125	\$14, buyers
Soychoo	125	\$14, buyers
Dairy Farm	125	\$16, sellers
Docks and Wharves—		
Farman, B. & Co.	125	\$125, buyers
H. & K. Wharf & G.	125	\$108, sales
H. & W. Dock	125	\$164, sales
New Amoy Dock	125	\$17, buyers
S'wai & H. Wharf	125	\$210, buyers
Fenwick & Co. Geo.	125	\$25, buyers
Island Cement	125	\$24, buyers
Hongkong & C. Gas	125	\$110, buyers
Hongkong Electric	125	\$110, buyers
Do. New	125	\$141, buyers
H. H. L. Tramways	125	\$100, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co.	125	\$140, buyers
Hongkong Ice Co.	125	\$150, buyers
H'kong S. Waterboat	125	\$13, sellers
Insurance—		
Caution	125	\$320, sellers
China Fire	125	\$38, buyers
China Traders	125	\$30, buyers
Hongkong Fire	125	\$30, buyers
North China	125	\$14, buyers
Union	125	\$170, buyers
Yangtze	125	\$170, buyers
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land	125	\$124, sales
Humphrey's Estate	125	\$124, buyers
Kowloon Land & B.	125	\$80, sales & buy.
Saukham Land	125	\$120, buyers
West Point Building	125	\$55, sellers
Mining—		
Charcoal	125	\$490, buyers
Baileys	125	\$375, buyers
Philippine Co.	125	\$5, buyers
Refineries—		
China Sugar	125	\$200, sellers
Luzon Sugar	125	\$24, buyers
Steamship Companies—		
China and Amoy	125	\$21, sellers
China Steamship	125	\$341, buyers
H. Canton & M.	125	\$24, sales
Indo-China S.N. Co.	125	\$40, buyers
Shell Transport Co.	125	\$24, sellers
Do. Preference	125	\$108, buyers
Star Ferry	125	\$32, buyers
Do. New	125	\$23, sellers
Shanghai & H. Dyeing	125	\$50, buyers
South China M. P.	125	\$25, sellers
Steam Laundry Co.	125	\$7, sellers
Do.	125	\$64, sellers
Stores & Dispensaries—		
Campbell, M. & Co.	125	\$36, buyers
Powell & Co. Wm.	125	\$104, buyers
Watkins	125	\$10, sellers
Watson & Co. A.S.	125	\$121, buyers
United Asbestos	125	\$4, buyers
Do. Founders	125	\$160, buyers

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

BOSTON TOWBOAT COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "LYRA."

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND MANILA.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LD., Agents.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1905. [7]

S.S. "POLYNESIAN."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex s.s. *Malapan* and *Medoa*, from Havre ex s.s. *Medoa*, from Bordeaux, ex s.s. *Ville d'Aras*, in connection with above Steamers, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where delivery may be obtained immediately after landing. All damaged packages will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON TO-DAY requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unloaded after Tuesday, the 2nd January at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before 2nd January, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on Tuesday, the 2nd January, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 26th December, 1905. [2]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer.

"TELEMACUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 27th inst.

Optional cargo will be landed unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 a.m. on the 29th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 30th inst. will be subject to rent.

Consignment against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 3rd January, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1905. [9-10]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBROUGH, LONDON AND STRAITS.

The Steamship

Captain G. E. Warner, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 3rd January will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1905. [2229]

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Width of Entrance on Bottom... 77 "

Water on Blocks at Spring Tide... 264 "

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Length on Blocks... 364 "

Width of Entrance on Top... 66 "

Width of Entrance on Bottom... 53 "

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